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Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2018, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-third session the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly" and to allocate it to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programmes of work.

2. The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) considered the item at its 28th meeting, on 16 November.[1]

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a note by the Secretariat on the revitalization of the General Assembly (A/C.4/73/INF/4).

4. At its 28th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly" (A/C.4/73/L.10), submitted by the Bureau.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.4/73/L.10 (see para. 6).

[1] For an account of the Committee's discussion of the item, see A/C.4/73/SR.28.

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Recommendation of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

6. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly approves the proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-fourth session of the Assembly as set out below:

Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly

Date/time	*Programme*
Week of 30 September–4 October	
Thursday, 3 October	
10 a.m.	Organization of work
	Approval of programme of work
	Approval of time limits for statements
	Establishment of Working Group of the Whole on the peaceful uses of outer space
	Consideration of aide-mémoire containing requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories
Week of 7–11 October	
Monday, 7 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements and joint general debate on decolonization items:
	Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations
	Economic and other activities that affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories
	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations
	Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories
	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
	Approval of requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories

Date/time	*Programme*
Tuesday, 8 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
6 p.m.	Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
	Closure of the list of speakers on decolonization items
	Deadline for submission of proposals on decolonization items
Wednesday, 9 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Thursday, 10 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Friday, 11 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
	Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)
Week of 14–18 October	
Monday, 14 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)
Tuesday, 15 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)
Wednesday, 16 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
	Joint general debate on decolonization items (*concluded*)
	Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items

Date/time	*Programme*
Thursday, 17 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement, interactive dialogue and general debate
	Questions relating to information
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "Assistance in mine action"
Friday, 18 October	
10 a.m.	**Questions relating to information**
	General debate (*continued*)
1 p.m.	Closure of the list of speakers on "Questions relating to information"
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "Effects of atomic radiation"
Week of 21–25 October	
Monday, 21 October	
3 p.m.	**Questions relating to information**
	General debate (*concluded*)
	Action on proposals
Wednesday, 23 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals
	Assistance in mine action
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space"
Thursday, 24 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, general debate and action on proposals
	Effects of atomic radiation
Week of 28 October–1 November	
Monday, 28 October	Diwali
Tuesday, 29 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement and general debate
	International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space
	Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

Date/time	*Programme*
Wednesday, 30 October	
10 a.m.	**International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**
	Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability
Thursday, 31 October	
10 a.m.	**International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**
	General debate (*continued*)
	Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (*continued*)
Friday, 1 November	
10 a.m.	**International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**
	General debate (*concluded*)
	Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (*concluded*)
	Action on proposals
Week of 4–8 November	
Monday, 4 November	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue and general debate
	Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "Comprehensive review of special political missions"
6 p.m.	Closure of the list of speakers on the item on peacekeeping operations
Tuesday, 5 November	
3 p.m.	**Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
	General debate (*continued*)
Wednesday, 6 November	
3 p.m.	**Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
	General debate (*continued*)
Thursday, 7 November	
3 p.m.	**Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
	General debate (*concluded*)

Date/time	*Programme*
Friday, 8 November	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals
	Comprehensive review of special political missions
Week of 11–15 November	
Monday, 11 November	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate
3 p.m.	**United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**
	Deadline for submission of proposals on "United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East" and "Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories"
	Deadline for submission of proposals on all outstanding items
Tuesday, 12 November	
10 a.m.	**United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**
	General debate (*concluded*)
Wednesday, 13 November	
3 p.m.	Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate
	Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories
Thursday, 14 November	
10 a.m.	**Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories**
	General debate (*concluded*)
Friday, 15 November	
10 a.m.	**United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**
	Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories
	Introduction of and action on proposals
	Action on proposals on all outstanding agenda items
	Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Date/time	*Programme*
	Proposed programme of work and timetable for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly and consideration of working methods
	Programme planning
	Conclusion of the work of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the main part of the session